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March 8, 1947
Convent, La.

Dear Bro. Sawyer.

Have just received your letter and was very glad to hear from you once again. I had wondered what had become of you but I knew that you are a busy man with more work to do than there seems time for. Sister West asked the other day if I had heard from you. I told her no but I knew you hadn't forgotten us.

As always I am in good health, in fact my health has improved vastly since I have been here and of course with good health and the Blessings of God I am in the best of spirits. My life here is very pleasant and many people would be surprised at the number of blessings that come to me. The people around here have all been very kind and generous and I have wanted for nothing that makes life comfortable but above the material things of life, comes a new peace of mind

and happiness such as I never knew before for to know God is to know life, love and happiness. I only wish I could share all of it with you and the friends I have made in here but while our letters can not express all that we would like them to I am sure that you share this new found happiness with me. The Bible that you sent has given me many happy hours and it is the ~~most~~ dearest thing I have.

At long last I have been rewarded in my efforts to bring my wife to Christ. She now writes that my references to God has awakened within in her heart an earnest desire to know God better. She frankly admitted that if she had known God before, our lives would have been different and she could have withstood temptation while I was overseas. I hope and pray that I shall be able to help her more not only for her sake but if she is to be able to raise my son

(Commented by Roger Scott)
 Revised & rephrased in sentences
 Wife repented

Trust in God

to know and love God, then she herself must first give her self to God. I have laid the corner stone and I hope I shall be able to complete the building.

The State Supreme Court was to have decided on the 14th of last month if I get a new trial or not, but so far I have not heard. However I still trust God to do what is best and what ever he wills be done then I am ready; for with him at my side who, in this world can harm me.

We sometimes think that we know what is best but it is to be remembered that only God in all his wisdom knows what is best for us all regardless of who we may be and in him I place my trust.

I know you are well pleased to see so many young people entering into the life of Christ for now more than ever the young people need to know that Christ is ever ready to guide or protect them.

from a world that has been ripped
and torne by war and is still in
the grip of greedy and ruthless men.
With the examples that are being
set by the leaders of this world it
is no wonder that there are so
many young boys and girls caught
in the net of crime. If only more
people would work for God so that
those children could be brought
to Christ, how much happier this
world would be. I often wonder
what God must think as he looks
down upon this greedy world. It
must bring him great pain to see
people who claim to be Christians, sit
idly by, while the children of the
world join hands with satan.

Well I must close for now and
I hope that I shall hear from you
again soon. May God bless you
and your work. Give my regards
to your class.

Your Bro. In Christ
Alonge.